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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, DCI/MAG

FROM : B. C. Evans (MAG Advisor)

SUBJECT : Elimination of Agency Telephone Directories

REFERENCE : Memo dated 17 August 1977 to MAG Advisor from
MAG Co-Chairperson, subject as above (ER 77-5500)

25X1 1. Mr. Blake held discussions with [] on the matter of
the elimination of the Agency telephone directories which was the
subject of her correspondence of 17 August.

25X1 2. He acquainted [] with the format and contents of the soon-
to-be-issued functional telephone directory which will replace the
previous directory containing an alphabetical listing of most employees.
25X1 It is [] opinion that this might be a partial answer to the problem.
It was agreed in those conversations to proceed with the issuance of
the classified phone directory and then in about three months to reassess
the matter and determine whether or not the new directory represents a
reasonable solution to the problem.

B. C. Evans

cc: Acting DDCI
Acting DDA

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MAG Advisor

FROM: [REDACTED]
MAG Co-Chairperson

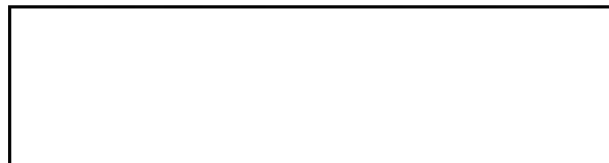
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